Mr. Shabdai S. Koder:— Are the Government aware that the drinking of intoxicants however is a necessary evil which cannot be avoided ?

Mr. George Parakkal:— Will the Government give us the number of State Garden Parties held during the year?

Mr. M. P. Cherian:— I want notice.

Mr. K. Ayyappan:— Is the practice of Government to destroy Government records?

Mr. M. P. Cherian:— There are certain rules relating to the destruction of public records. Under these rules some have to be retained for ever, some kept for three years, four years, six years and so on.

Separate building for Smithy work—G. I. School, Narakkal.

238. Mr. George Parakkal:— Will the Government be pleased to state if a separate building has been provided for Smithy work in the Government Industrial School, Narakkal; if not, will the Government consider the urgent necessity for such a building to minimise danger of fire ?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— No action is being taken to cover the roofing with corrugated iron sheets for the present.

Mr. George Parakkal:— Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the fact that the weaving section is also working in the same building ?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— Yes.

Mr. George Parakkal:— Is it not risky to carry on the two in the same building ?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— A small partition has now been put up to separate the two sections. A separate building for the smithy section is also engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. George Parakkal:— Will the Government be pleased to facilitate the work as soon as possible?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon:— Does not the Government know that warmth is bad for weaving ?

Mr. I. N. Menon:— Certainly.

Text books—complaint in the supply of.

239. Mr. P. Raman Menon:— Have the Government received complaints from school authorities, book-sellers, or guardians of students regarding the want of sufficient supply of text books in time or their high prices ?

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